

H Dr. Philip Dougherty

He is “Doctor” and “Doc” to his community, patients and friends, though his more adoring fans call him “Dad” or “Grampa.”

He has also been known by other titles—leadership titles such as “Lieutenant” in the U.S. Navy, “Professor” at the Medical College of Wisconsin, and “Mr. Chairman” or “Mr. President” of numerous committees and organizations mainly focused on challenging issues such as medical ethics and end-of-life care. But he will probably tell you that among his most valued engagements have been captaining the fishing boat as he introduced his three sons to the splendor of the outdoors, or donning his tux to be taken by his five daughters to the annual Father-Daughter Dinner Dance.

He helped establish one of the largest group medical practices in Wisconsin, and moved on to start a free medical clinic for the uninsured. He has counseled professionals at the top of their fields, gaining their trust and appreciation for his “calm reason” and “thoughtful assistance” through difficult circumstances. Yet, he might say he found it most enjoyable counseling a young couple in the art of winemaking for their wedding celebration, or instilling a youthful exuberance in the nursing home residents he guided in the making of their own blue-ribbon winning wine.

His experience and credentials qualify him to walk shoulder to shoulder with anyone of great stature, and yet he prefers sitting at the head of the family kitchen table—still configured to fit 10—with his wife of 50 years close at hand and his dog at his feet, making plans for the next trip to Wisconsin’s north woods.

You see, what he is to so many is of giant proportions. But we see that his true calling, the work God compels him to do, is simply to help others share the joy of life.

For all his kindnesses, generosity and good Irish humor, we lovingly dedicate this page and our thanks.

Love From Lois and all your family; The Doughertys, Kleins, Sinskys, Farrells, Glickenhau, Marcus and pets!



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*Healer and Friend
(A Tribute to our Father)*